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REMARKS

Claims 1-12 and 17-18 constitute the pending claims in the present application. Claims 13-16 have been cancelled. Claims 11-12 have been amended. Claims 1-10 are original and claims 17-18 are new. Claims 17-18 do not introduce any new subject matter. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks. Issues raised by the Examiner will be addressed below in the order they appear in the prior Office Action.

- 1. Claims 11-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection to the extent it is maintained over the claims as amended. Nevertheless and solely to expedite prosecution of the remaining claims, Applicant has cancelled Claims 13-16 and amended the pending Claims 11-12 (and added new dependent claims 17-18) to be directed to a subject matter directly taught in Applicant's examples. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute claims of similar or differing scope from the original claims 11-16 in subsequent applications. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.
- 2. Claims 15-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being allegedly indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has cancelled Claims 15-16 (vide supra), thereby rendering this rejection moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.
- 3. Applicant acknowledges and thanks the Examiner for his favorable decision with respect to claims 1-10, i.e., that "[t]he technical features of the compounds and compositions found in claims 1-10 are seen to be free from the prior art and these limitations are not taught or fairly suggested by the prior art."

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited. Should an extension of time be required, Applicant hereby petitions for same and requests that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to Deposit Account No. 503182.

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